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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. national phase application of:

**Martin John Charles Offa-Jones**

International Application No.: **PCT/GB01/02971**

International Filing Date: **05 July 2001**

For: **RECLOSABLE FASTENERS FOR PLASTICS BAGS AND OTHER CONTAINERS**

Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents,  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attn: Box PCT/DO/US

Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Claim 3, on the first line, after "claim 1", delete -or 2-;

Claim 4, beginning on the first line, after "claim 1," delete -2 or 3,-;

Claim 7, beginning on the first line, after "claimed in", delete -any preceding claim-, and insert therefor claim 1.